



Harland "Dale" Mace

June 8, 1937 - May 5, 2018

Harland "Dale" Mace, 80, a lifetime resident of Indianapolis, passed away May 5, 2018. He was born June 8, 1937 to the late Harland Dale, Sr. and Lorene K. Davis Mace.

Dale was a 1955 graduate of Arsenal Tech High School and a 1960 graduate of Indiana Central College (University of Indianapolis) with majors in Art, Physical Education, and Guidance. He received his Masters Degree in Education from Butler University.

Dale signed a contract with the Cincinnati Reds baseball organization in 1958. He went on to teach in the Warren Township School District for the next 44 years. Dale began his career teaching at Woodview Junior High School for 12 years, taught an additional 30 years at Stonybrook Middle School, and finished his last year at Morehead Elementary School. He was a coach of baseball, golf, football, wrestling, and cross country. Dale initiated and sponsored a special fishing club for several years for his students. He retired in 2004, and was appointed a Sagamore of the Wabash, Indiana's highest honor, for his service and dedication to his students.

Dale was a former member of Englewood Christian Church, Post Road Christian where he served as a deacon, Circle City Church, and is a current member of Trader's Pointe Christian Church.

Dale is survived by his loving wife of 39 years, Bonnie E. (Wise) Mace and his four children. He has three sons with Patty Ross Farrell: Brian J. (Angie), Brant K. (Penny) and Trey (Jill) Mace. In addition to his sons, Dale and Bonnie have a daughter, Jodi M. Simpson. Dale was a devoted grandfather to Zachary and Allison Mace and Tanner and Makayla Simpson. He is also survived by a sister, Donna Spears. His brother, Richard L. Mace, preceded him in death.

Active in life and spirit, Dale was an avid fisherman and lifetime member of Bassmaster. He played golf with a passion and was a former member of Pleasant Run Golf Club. For the last nine years, Dale has been working out with a group of fellow Parkinson's fighters at Rock Steady Boxing.

Visitation will be Friday, May 11, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. with funeral services there Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Rock Steady Boxing, 6847 Hillsdale Ct., Indianapolis, IN 46250 and/or Joy's House, 2028 Broad Ripple Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46220. www.shirleybrothers.com.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

MAY 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - May 14, 2018 at 10:04 AM

MK

“ Dear Bonnie, I wish we could be there to honor our great friend, Dale!. We have wonderful memories of Dale - humorous memories, especially. Our special prayers for you as you both grieve and rejoice that Dale is at home, praising Jesus. Love, Mike and Naomi Kouns

Mike Kouns - May 11, 2018 at 02:14 PM

LG

“ Lisa Shortz Gaddis lit a candle in memory of Harland "Dale" Mace



Lisa Shortz Gaddis - May 10, 2018 at 10:12 PM

LG

“ I absolutely loved Mr Mace. I had him for art classes and learned so much from him. He was a wonderful man. I am very sorry for the family loss. Such a kind great man. May he Rest In Peace

Lisa Shortz Gaddis - May 10, 2018 at 10:09 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.



May 10, 2018 at 09:25 PM



“ Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.



May 10, 2018 at 04:02 PM



“ Dan, Sheila & Axel purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.



Dan, Sheila & Axel - May 09, 2018 at 08:59 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.



May 09, 2018 at 08:06 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.*



May 09, 2018 at 10:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harland "Dale" Mace.*



May 08, 2018 at 12:31 PM



“ *My husband and I have been friends with Bonnie and Dale a long time. He was a compassionate man who loved God and his family. We have such good memories of our camping trips, fishing, and just the joy that he had for life. We will miss his spirit and love.*

Andy and Leslie Lawyer

Leslie Lawyer - May 07, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ *I remembered that Dale prevented a conflict between two people from escalating during a meeting. When he spoke both individuals respected his abilities to help them resolve their conflict with one another.*

B - May 07, 2018 at 03:47 PM

RW

“ Dale was one of the kindest and warm-hearted people I have ever met. He had a heart of solid 24CT Gold and he will be missed by all who knew him. RIP, I love you Brother Dale. Rich Williams

Rich Williams - May 07, 2018 at 03:42 PM